

# State Funded Capital Development Project Request Fiscal Year 2015-16

#### **DSU Physical Education/Student Wellness Center**

**Project Description:** This project is a multiple-story new facility that will provide needed classroom, office, and critical health and wellness space for the University's nearly 9,000 students

Total Project Space: 100,000 Estimated GSF

Construction Cost Estimate: \$29 Million

\$19 Million from State Appropriations

\$8 Million from Building Bond (Existing Student Fees)

• \$2 Million from Student Building Reserve

Student Building Reserve: At the end of this fiscal year, DSU students will have \$2.2 Million in hand for this project

Increase in O&M: \$585,000 (State appropriations \$385,000 and existing student fees \$200,000)

**Needed Facilities:** Classrooms, Gymnasiums, Clinic Space, Physical Ed. Labs & Equipment, Multipurpose Rooms, Faculty & Staff Offices, Lockers & Dressing Rooms, Studios & etc.

Building Location: Dixie State University Main Campus Near Hansen Stadium



# The Physical Education/Student Wellness Center is a Missing Piece in completing the DSU Campus and will Support the State's Educational Goals and DSU Student Needs through:

# I. Academic programs in the field of Health Promotion and Human Performance

- Bachelors of Art/Sciences in Health and Human Performance
  - Teacher Education Track
  - Kinesiology/Exercise Science Track
  - Health Promotion and Wellness Track
- Minors:
  - Exercise Science
  - Health Promotion and Wellness
  - Recreation Management
  - Physical Education Teacher Education
- Integrated Studies Emphasis Areas:
  - Exercise Science
  - Health Promotion and Wellness
  - Recreation Management

### II. Increased Student Success, Completion and Economic Development

- Significant Driver of Student Retention
- Facilitates Recruiting
- Increased Academic offerings in Physical Education Health & Recreation
- Alignment of Training with new Washington County Employment Opportunities
  - o Education & Health Services
  - Leisure and Hospitality
- Community Partnerships
  - Dixie State University and Intermountain Health Care

## III. Health, Wellness & Success of Dixie State University Students

The Fitness Center and Student Activities Center have become a fundamental and integral part of campus life at Dixie State University. However, there is great need to offer the students of Utah's newest University *a modern and adequately sized facility* to support current students and future enrollment growth. Campus wellness and recreation programs and facilities are important in recruiting students and in improving the student's University experience through the following.

- Improved Academic Success
- Emotional Balance and Stress Relief
- Improved Physical Fitness & Health
- Positive Social Interaction
- Education & Skills for Regional Employment Opportunities